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# General COURT

Held at Charlestown by Adjournment.

Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> 1689.

**T**His Court taking into their serious Consideration the many Calls of God's Providence upon his People, to be much and often in solemn manner imploring his Favour; and having by Experience found it good to draw nigh to God, *who will be sought to by the House of Israel*, Do therefore Recommend to the earnest Supplications of all that fear God, the common Interest of the Protestant Religion in the World, which hath so many potent Adversaries; as also the Accomplishment of such Scripture-Prophecies, as seem to be near the birth, and must be ushered in with Prayer. More specially the present state of our own Nation, with their Allies; that the Wars in *Ireland* may have a good issue; that all Animosities amongst God's People may be removed, and their hearts united; that King *William* and Queen *Mary* may have their Throne Established, and be made great Blessings: That Peace and Truth may flourish in those Kingdoms under their happy Conduct.

The Condition also of the Land we live in, which is under many awful Frowns of God; That He will pardon the Sins that have so provoked Him; that He will reform and heal us; that He will preserve us from the Rage of our Heathen Enemies; that He will improve and prosper us in winning the Natives of the Country, to the saving Knowledge and Obedience of the only True God; that so there may be One Fold, and One Shepherd; That He will guard us against Foreign Invasion; take away the prevailing and mortal Distempers of the Fever and Small Pox. That He will provide for us a Settlement of our Liberties, giving us to that end, Favour with our Sovereign: Defeating all Enterprises against us: Preserving and giving good success to our Agents: affording Direction in the management of all our arduous Affairs: That He will uphold our Churches, bless our Seed-time and Harvest: that there may be no Famine of Bread, nor of Hearing the Words of the Lord.

*Now that all Persons, in their several Places; Ministers and People, may with the more Intenseness and Solemnity apply themselves, to so great and seasonable a Duty: This Court doth Appoint the sixth of March next, to be Observed as a Day of Publick Prayer and Fasting throughout this Jurisdiction; Hereby Forbidding all Servile Labour thereon.*

By the COURT,

Isaac Addington, Sec<sup>y</sup>

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